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An Undelivered Speech.

Secretary Hay, as he so feelingly and gracefully explained, appeared at the dinner of the New York chamber of commerce in place of Mr. McKinley. He chose his topic appropriately, and he handled it in a most finished and satisfactory manner. The compliments he is receiving are numerous, and some of the most cordial come from across the water. No man could have treated the subject of diplomacy and its recent achievements with as full information or in as effective a manner as he who for three years past has been at the head of the State Department.

Mr. McKinley's topic had he lived would undoubtedly have been reciprocity. It would have been as appropriate in his case as diplomacy was in that of Mr. Hay. The character of the assembly, his own recognized pre-eminence as an authority in the field of taxation, and his famous speech at Buffalo all would have combined to point out his text and put him on his mettle. And we should have had an address which would have caused every business man in the country to put on his thinking cap and get ready for new and bigger things. It would have come, too, just twenty-four hours before the action of the reciprocity convention here, and have served, if it had not colored that, as a means of comparison. We should then have had on the one hand the trained statesman's view of the matter, and on the other that of the American manufacturers.

There is good reason to believe that Mr. McKinley would have expressed himself a little more clearly and aggressively than did the men of business who met in this city. The Buffalo speech was no "feeler." It was no mere suggestion. It was the expression of a conviction, and the announcement of the beginning of a campaign. Mr. McKinley had been studying the trade statistics. No other reading gave him so much pleasure. He saw what strides the country had made, and how necessary it was that new markets be found for the thoroughly awakened industry of the people. And so, high protectionist that he was, and with no thought of changing front, he declared both for reciprocity and for lowering such tariff duties as had accomplished the purpose of making their beneficiaries strong and independent.

Shall his words go for nothing? Simply because he did not live to elaborate his views and enforce them by a personal appeal to the country through Congress, shall Congress go its way as though he had never spoken? It was generally conceded during his lifetime that Mr. McKinley was a good judge of public sentiment. His opponents twitted him with keeping his ear to the ground. Would it not be well for Congress to imitate him in that particular? An election for the purpose of choosing a new House occurs next November.

The difficulty in the way of securing an interstate agreement to fight the aggressions of the trusts is illustrated by Goverexecutives of the northwestern states. He cites the fact that the railroads in Neto see any reason for his working with the Herein occurs the strongest possible proof of the need of federal legislation, which, taking cognizance of the interstate character of the railroad systems, will place within the jurisdiction of a national official, or board, the power to regulate the affairs of the corporations as far as they affect the rights of the public in general.

One of the significant things developed so far in the Bonine murder trial is the apparent increase among citizens of objection to capital punishment. In the securing of the jury for this trial the number of talesagainst the infliction of the death penalty was a striking and interesting feature, and calls attention once more to the question whether the community's moral right, in the matter of crime, extends to the punishment of offenders even to their destruction, or ceases with self-protection. Those who hold to a limited scope to the community's moral right insist that the province of the community in dealing with crime is to reform under either head the right to imprison for indefinite periods exists, but under neither the right to shed blood because blood has

It does not augur well for Spain's future to find General Weyler so prominent in governmental affairs. The general comes pretty near holding the championship record in

If Richard Croker can have his way the new administration in New York will make

Governor Stone's Sensation. It is considered to be impolite to look the gift horse in the mouth, and likewise it is cometimes unfair to question too closely the motives of the politician when he acts ostensibly for the public good. Thus, Governor. Stone of Pennsylvania has unquestionably taken a stand in the removal of Recorder Brown of Pittsburg which redounds to the benefit of the community at large. His stated reasons for that unexpected action are on a high plane of public morality. He pleads for the immunity of the municipal official from political pressure, for civil service reform in local offices. His letter, with a few changes in names and geographical terms, might apply to practically every large American city, and stand for betterment.

But unfortunately in this case Governor Stone's motives must necessarily be brought into question. It was he who signed the bill which gave Pittsburg its present peculiar form of local government. It was he who, under the provisions of now says that he supposed the recorder would conduct himself squarely as the head of the municipality and conserve the best interests of all the citizens. Instead of that, the wicked Brown went ahead and pulled men out of office right and left and

THE EVENING STAR. abhorrent to the governor. He is the product of a machine. Had it not been for the well-greased processes of Mr. Quay's mechanism Mr. Stone would never have come to Pennsylvania's state house.

> Can this be a sudden conversion? Is a Saul crying aloud for light? The times do not suggest this explanation. There are suspicions, more or less defined, that Governor Stone has further political ambitions. He wants to be senator, the gossips say. Mr. Quay is not inclined to such a plan. The matter has reached a point of the clashing of two wills. Can Stone wheedle Quay into yielding, or must he openly assume the offensive? This latest act looks very much like a declaration of war, for Recorder Brown's retention was demanded by Quay. The governor denies that he is after Mr. Quay's seat in the Senate, asserting that it would be folly for him to plan now for 1905. He fails to mention Mr. Penrose's seat, which becomes vacant March

3. 1903. Machine building takes time. The questions involved are interesting to others than Pennsylvanians. The friends of clean politics everywhere are anxious to know whether this means a battle of the bosses, with the certain downfall of one of them, and perhaps the serious injury of both. The believers in the possibility of permanent municipal reform hope that there may be a grain of sincerity in the governor's protestations of horror at the machine-building wickedness of Recorder Brown. It is certain that Pennsylvania politics cannot be made any worse by any possible development, and they may perhaps be slightly purified by the governor's declaration of independence.

Some persons are less respectable than they think and less so than they look. This trite assertion has been proved in every century as often as there are ticks of the clock, and it was proved at New York yesterday when agents of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals removed a dozen pairs of burrs from the mouths of horses owned by rich people, fashionable people, select people, leading citizens and patrons of the Madison Square Garden horse show. The burr is an instrument of torture designed to hurt a horse so that he will champ, prance and behave in a "mettlesome" way. A burr is a circular leather pad about two and one-half inches in diameter, the inside of which is studded with small bunches of stiff bristles about three-eighths of an inch long, or, in some instances, with nails or screws. The burrs are placed just within the cheek pieces of the bits with the spiked side next the horse's cheek, or the skin about the corner of his mouth. When the horse moves his head to either side or either rein is drawn upon, the bristles or spikes or screws prick

A man or woman who would be cruel to a horse is capable of but little sympathy for man. Of course there is a possibility that burrs may have been used by grooms and coachmen on their own initiative, but this is only a possibility.

Reciprocity Convention Comment. Editorial comment on the reciprocity convention exhibits great variety of expression and substantially the same conclusion. The New York Tribune says: "The results suggest the tradition about being in favor of the law but against its enforcement." The New York Herald is reminded of the beautiful little poem: "Mother may I go out to swim? Yes, my darling daughter.

Hang your clothes on a hickory limb, but don't go near the water." The New York Sun says: "Net results of the convention are not enlightening." The Philadelphia Inquirer congratulates the convention on its good work. The New York World declares that the convention was designed to Baltimore American says: "Its sessions progress of the policy it met to discuss.'

The New York Times says the convention

was a melancholy failure. The Philadelphia

Times says: "Hope is deferred." The outbreak of the mob in Athens reported in the dispatches reveals an extrathe excitement, for there is always a connection between Grecian politics and the general eastern question which has so long

President Roosevelt will write his message in his own way. Should the matter and the style be good, the credit will be that is his right. If he desires to express also is his right. By the Constitution he shall acquaint Congress with the state of the Union and recommend such measures sole judge as to the character and number of the words he shall employ. Criticism of the message ought to be withheld at least until its contents and its length shall have

It is to be doubted whether the King of England finds the excitement of keeping up with the health bulletins as diverting as the whist, cribbage and other games that he used to play when he was Prince of

ecome known.

The woman who went over Niagara Falls in a barrel only a week or so ago has been almost forgotten. It is, after all, doubtful whether the lecture proceeds can be made to pay for the trouble and expense of the

If Mr. Gorman goes to the Senate with the intention of upsetting any precedents, he will be too much of a diplomat to brag about it beforehand.

If Richard Croker and W. J. Bryan meet again they ought to try to keep the conversation cheery by discussing farming and

A number of these South American wars are not fights at all; merely quarrels.

The Boss Still Rules. Richard Croker remains Boss of Tamranks in New York against the Squire. Asbeen too favorably regarded by him have intimated that they did not care very much He was presented with a silver flower jar Tuesday night, when a meeting of the executive committee was held, under orders from the Boss, who had planned to leave the city and wanted matters settled before

There was the opportunity for the sore ones to vent themselves. They could have put in others in a manner to indicate that risen in meeting and denounced the Boss the recorder was making haste to con- as short-sighted, stubborn, tactless and instruct a machine for his own purposes. competent. They might have brought for-

ting Van Wyck on the county ticket, or of taking up Reformer Shepard as Tammany's mayoralty candidate. They might have quoted from the police records to prove the unwisdom of Croker's identifying Tammany with Devery's despicable career. Many things might have been said to lower

the value of Croker as a leader. But these malcontents lacked the nerve Croker had his with him. He waited for the proper moment to speak and then he defied his critics, both in and out of Tammany Hall. He showed his teeth. He proved that he has not been changed by his English life. He got right down to the old level of Tammanyism: "We're all right, and I'm alı right, no matter what these reformers say about us. We were up against a hard proposition, with the newspapers all down on

us. They told lies about us, and we could not prove our innocence. That beat us. But we're still in business and I'm still the head of the concern. Got anything to say?"

And no one had anything to say. Every one cheered the Boss. It was a time for cheering, not for hissing. By the display of sheer will power Croker had won against what might have been heavy odds if he had waited longer to let the discontent grow into a definite organization. It is better for New York to have Croker remain at the head of the organization. There will be no posible disguising of the character of the machine, no shifting of responsibility. Whether he is here or in England, Croker's word will be law. His morals and standards are well known. He believes in the spoils of office. He holds that vice and crime are inevitable attendants upon life in great cities, and that they may as well be mulcted for the benefit of the people's guardians. Government, in his eyes, means the manipulation of the machinery for the greatest possible profit for the individual. The public feeds the machine.

Decent New York ought to pray for Richard Croker's good health, so that he may remain in power at the head of Tammany through the next mayoralty campaign, when the real test of Gotham's ability to rehabilitate itself will come. There need then be no mistaking of the issues.

Wm. C. Whitney and Grover Cleveland have been close associates. But Mr. Cleveland is never a regular attendant at a horse show and Mr. Whitney never seems inclined to go fishing. It is to be hoped that this dissimilarity of tastes will not cause an estrangement.

Miss Stone has had occupations in life which doubtless rendered her somewhat indifferent to bargain counter traditions. Otherwise she would feel more or less annoyed to observe that she is being marked down from day to-day.

With President Roosevelt insisting that individual merit shall be considered rather than political pull, and Mr. Low pledged to much the same thing in New York, it looks as if a general change in governmental fashions might occur.

Possibly Governor Stone thinks that after the downfall of Richard Croker, there is reason to assume that Matthew Quay will be next to go under.

Mr. Carnegie is perfectly willing to go and play golf and let J. Pierpont Morgan pile up the money and the responsibilities.

The success of a current book depends a great deal on the amount of argument that can be created as to how bad it is.

General Kitchener has not observed the ceremony of announcing where he will eat his Christmas dinner.

SHOOTING STARS,

"Charley, dear," said young Mrs. Torkins, "isn't it a pity that the newspapers are so much behind time?'

"In what respect?" "Why, they never print the names of the winner of a horse race until the next day, when it is too late to bet."

"There are numerous dialects in the Chinese language, and the inhabitants of one locality may have difficulty in understand-

ing those of another," remarked the pro-

"Well," said the theorist, "that's what China gets for not printing publications that make a specialty of dialect stories. This country takes no chances on not letting the different sections keep acquainted."

A Capitulation.

We blame the constant kicker. And chide him with a will. And yet the world oft gives him His wish, to keep him still.

The Era of the Barrel. "Diogenes was a great man," said the contemplative person, "and yet he had no ase for money. He was content to confine his possessions to a single tub." "Well," answered Senator Sorghum, "a tub might have been all right in those days. but what a man wants now is a bar'l."

Admiration.

"You admire your grandfather very much, don't you, my little man?" "Yes," answered the youth. "You think he could do things that no one else could, don't you?"

"I know he could. He used to punish father whenever he felt like it." Congress. Sing a song of Congress, It's coming back to town.

It's going to take iniquity And turn it upside down. 'Twill take the Constitution And show just what it means And this is what we always say When Congress first convenes

We will listen to the speeches Delivered on the floor. With words of wondrous cadence Five syllables or more. And when the session's over We've had a lot of fun-

But too oft we view the record

And we murmur "nothing done."

For and Against. From the New York Tribune.

The resolutions adopted by the national reciprocity convention suggest somewhat the tradition about being in favor of a law but against its enforcement. The conven-tion declared itself to be in favor of recition declared itself to be in favor of reciprocity. But at the same time it practically declared itself to be against the processes through which reciprocity is to be effected. In its first resolution it recommends reciprocity through tariff modification "only where it can be done without injury to any of our home interests of manufacturing, commerce or farming." That condition, literally enforced, might well prove prohibitive against any extension of reciprocity whatever. And in its second resolution the convention recommends the reference of all reciprocity treaties to a new commission to be hereafter created by Congress. That would seem to mean the practical abandonment of all pending treaties and the nullification of all that has been done by the present reciprocity commissioner.

Ice Beat Van Wyck. From the New York Press. The mayor of Ottawa lost his job through one drink. Ours lost his through what cools the drink.

London Approves. From the Hartford Post. London newspapers generally admit that Mr. Hay made a fine little speech.

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